

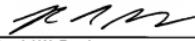
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In re Application of: § Confirmation No.: 3767  
Fish et al. §  
Serial No.: 10/731,079 § Group Art Unit: 2164  
Filed: 12/9/03 § Examiner: Cory C. Bell  
For: METHOD OF JOINING DATA §  
AND ITS METADATA USING §  
DYNAMIC METADATA IN §  
RELATIONAL DATABASE §

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT  
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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 21, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 21, 2006, Applicants submit the corrected claims for replacement of the non-compliant claims of the response filed August 31, 2006.

While no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 09-0465/ROC920030190US1 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.